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Local News

Paw Paw and Vicinity

Little Mary Jane Cooley is quite ill with chicken pox.

Paul Smith went to Chicago Saturday on a business trip.

Mrs. Arba Hawley was home from Kalamazoo on Christmas day.

Mildred Shepard and Margaret Cole were Kalamazoo visitors Saturday.

Frank Miller returned last Friday from a business trip to Buffalo, N. Y.

Paul Broughton came home from Lansing to spend the holidays at home.

Mrs. Fred Holt is in poor health, which is not improving any at this writing.

Quite a number from here attended the dancing party held in Lawton Christmas night.

Mrs. Jennie Warner was hostess to the members of the Warner family on Christmas day.

Arthur Miller returned Monday from a two weeks business trip through the South land.

Cecil Wilcox of Kalamazoo was a guest at the Max Benton home the latter part of the week.

Leland Warner was among those who went to Kalamazoo Wednesday evening to see "Katinka."

Will Dillon of Kalamazoo spent Christmas at home with his parents Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Dillon.

Mrs. Imogene Burke was called to Big Rapids the first of the week by the serious illness of a relative.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Longwell entertained the members of their family a sumptuous Christmas dinner.

Lieutenant Mark Chaffee was home from Camp Custer Tuesday and spent the day with her parents.

Important Notice—After January 1st, 1918, All the County Offices will be closed on Saturday afternoons.

Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Smith of Buchanan are holiday guests at the home of her mother Mrs. Buckhout.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morrison and son spent Christmas in Bangor, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Sebring.

Dr. J. C. Maxwell and family were guests of his sister Mrs. Otis Gould and family at their home in Lawrence on Christmas day.

Mrs. Guy Saunders and little daughter Virginia were guests of Paw Paw relatives for the week end remaining over Christmas.

Master Richard Roach went to South Bend the first of the week to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Jane Roach and sister Miss Virginia.

There was a wreck on the Michigan Central near Lawton Wednesday afternoon. Thirty-five freight cars were piled up, and traffic delayed for some time.

Holiday business at the post office was not quite so heavy this year as in former years. The war has had a tendency to curtail the sending of holiday gifts.

Mrs. Eugene Cooley who has been seriously ill, is reported better but still under the care of a trained nurse. Her sister from Bloomington is here staying with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Warner of Kalamazoo were the guests of his parents Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Warner last Sunday. They returned home Monday and left for Grand Rapids to spend the holidays with relatives in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Yeider entertained at Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Yeider and Mr. and Mrs. John Blanchard of Almena, Alva Yeider of Lawton and Mrs. Fitch of Paw Paw.

Mrs. A. W. Showerman has returned from Sturgis, bringing her two grand children with her. Bert Showerman is improving at the Detroit hospital but is not able to return home yet. Mrs. Showerman will remain there with him until he is able to come home.

G. S. Scovel returned from Chicago to spend Christmas with his family.

Mrs. John Taylor is entertaining her sister Mrs. Johnson of Kalamazoo.

Miss Rena Van Fossen came from Pittsburg, Pa., to spend her holiday vacation.

Verne Decker is in Chicago this week combining business with pleasure.

Messrs. L. A. Packer and Fred Giddings were in Paw Paw on business Wednesday.

M. H. Young and family were Christmas guests at the C. N. Hathaway home.

Attorney Harry Chase of Grand Rapids were the guests of friends here over Christmas.

Harley Mutchler of Ann Arbor and sister Marion of M. A. C. came home to spend the holidays.

Rev. John Wilkins of Dowagiac will conduct services at St. Mark's church next Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

Mrs. Mabel Shears of Kalamazoo was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Barney O'Dell the first of the week.

Miss Irma Cole and Mrs. Holt of Kalamazoo spent Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cole.

A. N. Cole has now nearly recovered from his recent operation and is again on the job at The True Northerner plant.

Mrs. Jay Harrington and daughter Ruth came over from Ann Arbor to visit Nellie Harrington the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Wood of Kalamazoo visited their people Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Mauk of Bangor on Christmas day.

Lieutenant Glenn A. Showerman of Camp Custer was a guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Showerman over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Barton entertained nineteen guests from Gobleville, Kalamazoo, Lawton and Paw Paw on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Zelon Cleveland and her sister Mrs. Flora Palmer spent Christmas at the home of their son Roy Cleveland in Lacota.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Terrell have accepted a position at the State hospital in Kalamazoo and will take up their new duties the first of the year.

Mrs. Frank Isbell and children who have been visiting in Elkhart, Indiana and Chicago returned home Monday. Mrs. Myrtle McKinstrey accompanied Mrs. Isbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos De Vall entertained a family party Christmas, the guests being Mrs. De Vall's sons and their families, one of whom lives in Kalamazoo.

A message to Paw Paw friends states that the Aseltine auto party reached Austin, Texas December 22nd, and that they expect to camp at Laredo on the 24th.

Miss Ione Reynolds of Connersville Indiana; Lee Reynolds and wife of Chicago, and Lynn of Camp Custer all came home to spend Christmas day with their father.

Rev. Arthur Trott has been quite ill during the past week. He was found last Sunday morning in an unconscious condition and has been under the care of a physician since that time.

The Decker and Decker real estate agency announce the exchange of the Baxter Apartments in Chicago for the F. F. Vater place in Paw Paw. Mr. Baxter will move here with his family in the Spring and occupy the place.

Miss Vera Squires who is teaching in the South Haven city schools arrived home the latter part of last week to spend a two weeks vacation with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Albert Squires.

Advertising space on page five of this issue announces the opening of a new bank—in Paw Paw on January 2nd. It will open in the Longwell block, just north of the Paw Paw Savings bank. John W. Free who resigns his connection with the Savings bank will be in charge, assisted by Frank Stapleton of Decatur.

New Years Greetings

Another year is drawing to a close and this is the last issue that we can date 1917. From a business standpoint, the past year has been a most satisfactory one to The True Northerner. The liberal advertising and job work patronage accorded us during the year, has been gratifying and the big increase in our subscription list has more than met our expectations.

Business conditions in general during the year, have been somewhat unsettled. We are at war now and we are beginning to realize something of what it means, and are coming to a full understanding of the important fact that each individual, at home as well as in the army, has a duty to perform. To win the war, is now the one important object. Unless we can win, the future has little in store for us. But we must win it. All else must now be considered a part of the one great plan to win, and to insure for our posterity the full meaning of the glorious Stars and Stripes "Peace and Liberty." The True Northerner is doing its "bit", as occasion demands, and will continue to do it to the end.

We do not know what the coming year has in store for us. But we will do our best to merit as liberal a patronage as in the past. We can make no promises of any "Radical Changes" during the year, nor will we hold out any inducements on account of "War News" through our columns, except as it may be an item of interest to some of our local people. "War News" as we take it belongs to the sphere of Metropolitan dailies, and not to a country newspaper. While we make no rash promises, we shall put forth every effort to publish a real live newspaper. It is our aim always to publish the news of Paw Paw and vicinity, just as much of it as it is possible for us to get in type each week.

We want The True Northerner to appeal strongly, not only to our subscribers, but to advertising patrons as well. We have a circulation of which any country newspaper may feel proud, and we are happy to say that the list continues to grow. We will be pleased at any time, to show the list to advertisers or others who may be interested in knowing just how many families the paper reaches each week. We are proud of the list, and want the business interests to appreciate it as an advertising medium, and take advantage of the opportunity to tell the public of the bargains they have to offer.

We want every one in the community to feel an interest in The True Northerner. We welcome any assistance you may be able to render in the way of collection of news. We also want the paper to reflect the sentiments of the public on any matter of public interest, and will be pleased to receive any signed communications along the lines indicated, reserving of course the editorial columns for the expression of our own ideas on any subject. We will boost for the town, and encourage anything that may in our judgment be for the betterment of the community.

Just a thought in conclusion:—We desire that every soldier from this community, receive a copy of The True Northerner, regularly. We have placed all those whose address we happen to know on the list and ask as a special favor that the parents or friends of the soldier boys in this community leave the address at this office at once. This will be our New Years Greeting to the Boys in Khaki.

We wish our big family of patrons a Happy New Year; we bespeak for them all hearty co-operation and support in everything that may have to do with winning the great war, and with it prosperity and happiness. We will do our best to merit your continued confidence and support.

The True Northerner
Per Wakeman and Cole.

Leland Gorton has been ill and confined to his home a part of the week.

E. Cone entertained his eldest son, Elbert of Grand Rapids on Christmas day.

James Ayars is home from Rush Medical college for a two weeks vacation.

Mrs. Rena Beach and children are spending the week with friends in Glendale.

Ed Clark of Grand Haven will move on the E. C. Towers farm east of Paw Paw.

Undersheriff Andrew Lang and wife were guests of Covert friends the first of the week.

Mrs. Kate Sage has gone to Kalamazoo where she will spend the winter with friends.

All Royal Neighbors and their husbands, and all Woodmen and their wives are invited to attend the joint installation at Memorial Hall on Thursday evening, January third at 7:30 P. M. Officers elected meet at the hall at 2:30. Special work by order of installing officer.

Will Morton drove to Breedsville Christmas and on the return met with an accident on the four corners of the village of Lawrence, colliding with another machine, which nearly wrecked his car. After repairs in the garage, he was able to drive it home however. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Morton and son Leonard were with them, but no one in either car was injured.

Claire McGowan is spending the vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lang are entertaining their daughter from Grand Rapids this week.

Clarence Shaefer came from Camp Custer to spend Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Frank Drew.

Miss Xenia Mason and Miss Martha are spending the holidays at home with their parents.

Duane Mosier and wife came from Lansing to enjoy Christmas at the home of his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Woodman entertained the Shepard and Woodman families on Christmas day.

The Presbyterian club held its first meeting of the year at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith last Thursday evening.

Ray Curtis came home from Cleveland and Miss Lottie from Chicago to spend the holidays at home with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Curtis.

Leonard Morton came home from Flint to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morton. Leonard has a fine position there with the Buick Automobile company.

A communication from Attorney T. J. Cavanaugh relative to a public library for Paw Paw will be found in another column in this issue. This is an important matter and one that must not be overlooked by the citizens of Paw Paw.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Hurlbut of Canton, Ohio, came to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hurlbut. The visit was an unexpected pleasure to the father and mother. Mrs. Hurlbut returned Wednesday and Dell remained the balance of the week.

Postmaster H. A. Cole, Assistant Arba Hawley, Rural carrier Robert Bangs and Clerk Roy Harrington made up a theatre party that motored to Kalamazoo Wednesday evening to see the musical comedy "Katinka" at the Fuller. Rural carrier David Burke chaperoned the party.

Herbert Bassett has resigned his position with the Westinghouse company and enlisted in the U. S. Army. He is at present taking instructions in wireless telegraphy, and will be stationed at one of the principal stations on the coast. Patriotic young men everywhere are giving up good positions to do their "bit" for their country.

Commencing January 1st, the W. J. Warner store goes on the "Cash and Carry" basis. He asks the co-operation of his customers in making the new plan a success. To compensate his customers for carrying their purchases home, a five per cent discount will be made on all purchases. "Wib" says, "Start the New Year right, by paying up your bills, pay cash for all you buy, carry the goods home and save five per cent."

Carl, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith had a narrow escape from death last Monday. He was hunting, and in climbing through a wire fence, the gun was discharged and the shot striking him in the breast and shoulder. He was near the Harry Winslow home and managed to reach the house where Dr. Maxwell and his parents were quickly summoned. He will recover, but it was a mighty close call.

Every person in Paw Paw and the surrounding country is urged to lay aside \$1.00 for a membership in the Red Cross. A day will be announced in next weeks issue for the campaign. Those who have already joined are urged to renew their membership, and those who have not already joined should do so. Every Red Cross dollar goes to a worthy cause. Be ready every body with the membership fee when the day is announced.

Ralph Chase, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Chase of Glendale was killed on the G. R. and I. railroad tracks in Kalamazoo last Monday night. No one saw the accident, and while the victim was still alive when found, he never regained consciousness and died at the hospital soon after being taken there. He was a foreman of the D'Arcy factory in that city, and how he came to meet his death is a mystery. He was thirty-four years of age, and is survived by a wife, father and mother and one sister. He spent his boyhood days in this community and was well known here.

Mrs. Will Sellick is on the sick list.

Mrs. Allison Johnson is in Detroit.

Harry White has purchased the McGee farm.

Miss Beatrice Bale is visiting friends in Chicago.

H. C. Waters was in Kalamazoo on business Wednesday.

Attorney T. J. Cavanaugh is in Allegan on business this week.

Mrs. Cora Bilsborrow is a guest at the home of her son in Detroit.

Paw Paw merchants all report a very satisfactory holiday business.

Chan Deming was the guest of Chicago friends the first of the week.

Ed Bailey came home from Detroit to spend Christmas with his family.

George Cross has traded his farm for a grocery store in Kalamazoo.

Mr. Factly and Mr. Hiestand are certainly having some bad luck. They have lost three horses and a calf since last October.

Thos. De Haven and wife and Clarence De Haven and wife of Hartford were guests at the Ed De Haven home on Christmas.

Prof. O. W. Kaye and wife left last Friday for Michigan City to enjoy a two weeks vacation among relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Weston went to Dowagiac, Christmas to extend greetings to their new grand daughter at the Eugene Weston home.

Showerman Bros. announce that they are overstocked on Boys overcoats sizes 35 to 38 which they are closing out from \$7.00 to \$15.00.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rowlee and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blackwood and son of Kalamazoo were entertained by Mrs. H. J. Hubbard and Mrs. S. J. Lindsley at the home of Mrs. Hubbard on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mosier entertained on Christmas, Mrs. Levi Lyle and Mrs. Patton, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Nehr, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mosier and A. T. Foote.

Russell Hindenach left Thursday morning for Annapolis, where he will take a preliminary course of training at the Naval academy. The young people gave him a farewell party at the Scovel home Wednesday evening.

The program for Coterie next Wednesday, January 2nd, will be a patriotic one in charge of Mrs. Cleo Maxwell, chairman. It will include Vocal music by Mrs. Matie Abbott, a paper by Mrs. Nellie Bailey and a social time.

Mr. and Mrs. Franz Miller entertained at Christmas dinner, Miss Merritt of Chicago and Miss Merritt of Jackson, sisters of the hostess and Mrs. Miller of Jackson, mother of the host and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Miller. Mrs. Miller will remain with them for an indefinite visit.

A very pretty wedding occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Breed on Wednesday, December 26th, when their daughter Harriet and Earl Burhans were married at high noon Rev. Bennett of Hartford officiating. The most honored guests of the occasion were the bride's grand father, eighty-four years of age, and the groom's grand mother, eighty years of age. Immediately after the ceremony a three course luncheon was served in the dining room, where among the decorations of ferns and pink roses, the bride in her gown of wisteria velvet and the groom in the conventional black made a very pleasing picture. Of course we are not "real sure" but from the nervous glances of the contracting parties they had intended boarding the 2:10 train for "somewhere" but traveling bags, coats, etc., had all mysteriously disappeared, garage door locks were all tampered with and many other depredations had been going on. But finally amidst the confusion of laughter, the throwing of old slippers, the clanging of dinner bells they were allowed to get away. That they are both held in high esteem was demonstrated by the beautiful gifts, left as a reminder of the happy occasion and their many friends are awaiting their return to Paw Paw and hoping for a long, happy and prosperous married voyage.

Additional locals on page eight.